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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/777,239	Applicant(s) LECLAIR ET AL.	
	Examiner Katherine W. Mitchell	Art Unit 3677	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 27 February 2006.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☒ Yes e) ☐ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 7 and 8.

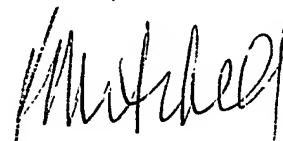
Identification of prior art discussed: Niemiec.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Katherine Mitchell
Primary Examiner

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: applicant called for clarification of "directly cooperate" in the action of 1/2006. examiner reviewed and agreed that the comment was meant to indicate that --directly cooperate-- in claim 1 would allow claims 1,7, and 8 to read over Niemiec. Examiner noted that while this would likely make the claim allowable over the art of record, the search would have to be updated to ensure that there was not art that did read on the suggested claim. Examiner noted that if continuation is filed for "directly cooperate", if art is found action would not be made final on first action, and that examiner would call to see if there is amendment possible over any art that is found prior to action. .